

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

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This application claims the benefit of the filing date of corresponding U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. [[_____]60/212,284, entitled "System for providing a policy-based demand and use of functions like virtual volumes, instant copy, RAID, etc.", filed June 19, 2000. In addition, the present invention is related to applications entitled EFFECTING INSTANT COPIES IN A DYNAMICALLY MAPPED SYSTEM, serial no. [[_____]09/884,294, Attorney Docket Number 00-060-DSK; USING CURRENT RECOVERY MECHANISMS TO IMPLEMENT DYNAMIC MAPPING OPERATIONS, serial no. [[_____]09/800,714, Attorney Docket Number 00-061-DSK; DYNAMICALLY CHANGEABLE VIRTUAL MAPPING SCHEME, serial no. [[_____]09/751,772, Attorney Docket Number 00-062-DSK; RECOVERY OF DYNAMIC MAPS AND DATA MANAGED THEREBY; serial no. [[_____]09/752,253, Attorney Docket Number 00-063-DSK; FLOATING VIRTUALIZATION LAYERS, serial no. [[_____]09/752,071, Attorney Docket Number 00-116-DSK, and SELF DEFINING DATA UNITS, serial no. [[_____]09/751,641, Attorney Docket Number 00-117-DSK, which is filed even date hereof, assigned to the same assignee, and incorporated herein by referenced.